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PRODUCTION OF EDIBLE OIL
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for production of edible oil under oil palm cultivation during the Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) the various promotional measures and other incentives given for encouraging farmers to take up oil palm cultivation;

(c) the target fixed for total acreage to be covered under oil palm cultivation for Tenth Plan;

(d) the States identified for oil palm cultivation; and

(e) the total outlay fixed for the oil palm cultivation under Tenth Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): No targets are proposed for production of palm oil during Tenth Five Year Plan. However, targets for area coverage are proposed under Oil Palm Development Programme (OPDP).

(b): Under OPDP assistance is provided towards the cost of Planting Material, CultivationInputs, Installation of Drip Irrigation System, Diesel Pumpsets, Training, Development ofWasteland, Extension and Publicity, Establishment & Staff, Frontline Demonstrations, Leaf Nutrients Analysis Laboratories, Testing of Genotypes under varied environmental conditions.

(c): A target of 50,000 ha. has been proposed to be covered under OPDP during Tenth Five Year Plan.

(d): Presently the states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Goa, Orissa,Tripura, Assam & Kerala are covered under OPDP.

(e): An outlay of Rs. 50, crores is proposed under OPDP during Tenth Five Year Plan.